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**Art Unit 3738**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/712,376; Filed: November 14, 2003  
For: **Methods and Apparatus For Conformably Sealing Prostheses Within  
Body Lumens**  
Inventors: Fogarty *et al.*  
Our Ref: P510 DIV 2 (1737.1480002/TUM)

Sir:

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P510 DIV2 (1737.1480002)

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Application No./Patent No.: 10/712,376 Filed/Issue Date: November 14, 2003

Entitled: Methods and Apparatus for Conformably Sealing Prostheses Within Body Lumens

Medtronic AVE, Inc., a Corporation

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